



U.S. Department  
of Veterans Affairs

# Staff Sergeant Parker Gordon Fox Suicide Prevention Grant Program

Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)  
Technical Assistance Webinar

March 2023

*Submissions due by 5/19/23 11:59PM EDT*

***\*\*\*Late submissions cannot be accepted\*\*\****

# Agenda

- I. SSG Fox Suicide Prevention Grant Program Overview
- II. NOFO overview
- III. NOFO Priority 1
- IV. NOFO Priority 2
- V. Application submission
- VI. Application review

# I. SSG Fox Suicide Prevention Grant Program Overview

# Staff Sergeant Parker Gordon Fox Suicide Prevention Grant Program

- Staff Sergeant Parker Gordon Fox Suicide Prevention Grant Program (SSG Fox SPGP) was established by §201 of the [John Scott Hannon Veterans Mental Health Improvement Act](#).
- SSG Fox SPGP provides resources to strengthen local community capacity to:
  - Conduct outreach to identify eligible Veterans and families,
  - Provide them with suicide prevention services, and
  - Connect them to resources within the community and VA to prevent Veteran suicide.
- Emphasis on eligible individuals at risk of suicide who are not currently receiving health care furnished by the Department of Veteran Affairs

# SSG Fox SPGP Eligible Individuals

- Eligible individuals to receive services as part of SSG Fox SPGP include persons at risk for suicide who are:
  - Veterans under title 38 (38 U.S.C. 101(2))
  - Former service members who were discharged from the armed forces under conditions that were not honorable but also not dishonorable or by court martial (38 U.S.C. 1720l(b))
  - Certain Veterans and members of the armed forces eligible for Readjustment Counseling Services from VA (38 U.S.C. 1712A(a)(1)(C)(i) through (iv))
- Risk of suicide is defined as exposure to, or the existence of, any of the following factors, to any degree, that increase the risk of suicidal ideation and/or behaviors:
  1. Health Risk Factors
    - Mental health challenges, substance use, serious or chronic health conditions or pain, and traumatic brain injury
  2. Environmental Risk Factors
    - Prolonged stress, stressful life events, unemployment, homelessness, recent loss, and legal or financial challenges
  3. Historical Risk Factors
    - Previous suicide attempts, family history of suicide, and history of abuse, neglect, or trauma
- Once suicide risk factors are identified, the degree of risk is determined utilizing a VA-provided tool.

# Grant Authorized Suicide Prevention Services

- Outreach to identify eligible individuals, with an emphasis on those who are at highest risk for suicide or who are not receiving health care or other services furnished by VA
- Baseline mental health screening for risk (Required for all grantees or participants ages 18+)
- Education on suicide risk and prevention to families and communities
- Clinical services for emergency treatment
- Case management services
- Peer support services
- Assistance in obtaining VA benefits for which the person and their family may be eligible
- Assistance in obtaining and coordinating of other benefits provided by the federal government, a state or local government, or an eligible entity

# Grant Authorized Suicide Prevention Services (cont'd)

- Assistance with obtaining services relating to emergent needs, such as health care services, daily living services, personal financial planning and counseling, transportation services, temporary income support services, fiduciary and representative payee services, childcare, and certain legal services
- Nontraditional and innovative approaches and treatment practices as determined appropriate by VA, in consultation with appropriate entities
- Other suicide prevention financial assistance (e.g., payments to a third party not to exceed \$750 per participant in any one-year period for expenses related to gaining or keeping employment or lethal means safety and secure storage, etc.)
- Other suicide prevention services as set forth in the NOFO or approved by VA (demonstrating evidence-informed interventions for improving mental health status and well-being and reducing the suicide risk of eligible individuals and their families)



## II. NOFO overview



# NOFO Overview

- Renewal and new applications for suicide prevention services grant
- Awards for suicide prevention services will fund operations beginning on October 1, 2023.
- \$52.5 million available for suicide prevention services grants for FY24 services.
- Priority 1: Renewal awards available for current grantees in good standing and who have demonstrated sufficient progress in the first year of award. Applicants may apply for amount equal to or less than current award.
- Priority 2: New applicants may apply (maximum of \$750,000 per eligible entity).
  - ***Available funding limited to funds remaining after Priority 1 allocations.***

# NOFO Overview

- Copies of the application can be downloaded from the SSG Fox SPGP Web at <https://www.mentalhealth.va.gov/ssgfox-grants/>
- For detailed program information and requirements, see part 78 of title 38, Code of Federal Regulations ([38 CFR part 78](#))
  - Applicants are strongly encouraged to review before submitting questions, as many frequently asked questions are detailed in the regulation.
- Questions should be referred to the SSG Fox SPGP via email [VASSGFoxGrants@va.gov](mailto:VASSGFoxGrants@va.gov).
- Applications must be submitted electronically following instructions found at <https://www.mentalhealth.va.gov/ssgfox-grants/>

# III. NOFO Priority 1

# Priority 1 Renewal Application Considerations

- The renewal application must remain consistent with current approved grant elements. ***Modifications to the current grant agreement should not be requested within the renewal grant application.***
- Grantee has demonstrated substantial compliance with grant agreement.
- Grantee has consistently met program targets including:
  1. Appropriate expenditure of funding
  2. Timely compliance with data submission requirements
  3. Satisfactory resolution of grievances and critical incidents as needed
- Current grantees may request an amount equal to or less than their current award (this will not be considered a substantial change to the program concept).
- Grantees must have active SAM.gov accounts.
- VA reserves the right in any year to make adjustments (e.g., to funding levels) as needed within the intent of the NOFO based on a variety of factors, including the availability of funding.
- VA anticipates announcing grant awards in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2023.

# Priority 1 Renewal Application Sections

- **Overview**

- Grant amount requested (Must be equal or less than current approved grant amount)
- Community Partners (Subcontractors)
- Number of projected eligible individuals to be served
- Geographic area served
- Compliance with Threshold Requirements

- **Application**

- Section A: Program Outcomes- Maximum 55 points
- Section B: Cost Effectiveness- Maximum 20 points
- Section C: Compliance with SSG Fox SPGP Goals and Requirements- Maximum 25 points
- Exhibit I: Applicant Budget Template

# Priority 1 Renewal Application Overview

## Sections within Overview:

- Executive Summary
- Community Partners (Subcontractors)
- Suicide Prevention Services Grant Funds
- Eligible Individuals
- Geographical Area Served
- Geographical Counties Served
- Veteran's Integrated Service Network (VISN)
- VAMC Station Codes
- Compliance with Threshold Requirements

# Priority 1 Renewal Application Section A: Program Outcomes, Maximum 55 Points

## **Suicide Prevention Service and Program Evaluation**

- Provide examples and data demonstrating how your program improved the financial stability, mental health status, well-being and social supports for eligible individuals enrolled in your program during the grant award period.
- Provide a description of the suicide prevention services provided to eligible individuals enrolled in your program during this grant award period. Provide data regarding any measured outcomes of the effectiveness of the services.

## **Outreach**

- Provide a description of the types of outreach conducted to engage eligible individuals and their families into your program during this grant award period
- What percentage of eligible individuals enrolled in your program were not previously receiving services with VA?



# Priority 1 Renewal Application Section A: Program Outcomes, Maximum 55 Points (cont'd)

## **Participant Satisfaction**

- Describe how your program received and responded to feedback from eligible individuals in your program (e.g., VA participant survey, exit interview, internal survey, etc.).
- Provide examples of feedback you have received regarding the satisfaction level of eligible individuals enrolled in your program.
- Describe any changes your program made as a result of feedback from eligible individuals.

## **Program Implementation and Progress**

- Specify the average time between eligibility screening and intake, start of suicide prevention services, and average length of enrollment in the program (this should cover the total time from enrollment to exit).
- Provide the date of service delivery implementation. Describe any programmatic or organizational delays associated with onset of suicide prevention services delivery.

## **Coordination with VA and Community**

- How have you coordinated SSG Fox SPGP services with other suicide prevention programs/initiatives in the area you currently serve?
- Describe your coordination and referral process with the local VA.

# Priority 1 Renewal Application Section B: Cost Effectiveness, Maximum 20 Points

## **Cost Per Eligible Individual**

- Provide an estimate of the average total grant cost per eligible individual for this grant award period.

## **Program Budget and Expenditures**

- Provide an explanation whether your program was implemented consistent with your approved budget. Explain any major deviations or variances from the original budget.

# Priority 1 Renewal Application Section C: Compliance with SSG Fox SPGP Program Goals and Requirements, Maximum 25 Points

## SSG Fox SPGP Program Goals

- Describe how your program was implemented in accordance with VA's goals (as described in 38 CFR part 78 and the Notice of Funding Opportunity) for the SSG Fox SPGP.

## Applicable Laws, Regulations, and Guidance

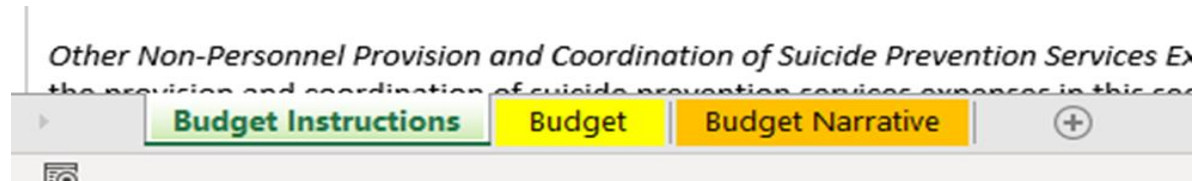
- This section requires certification by an authorized representative of the applicant organization.
- Certify that your program was administrated in accordance with all applicable laws, regulations, and guidance.

## Grant Agreements

- Certify that your program was administered in accordance with your Suicide Prevention Services Grant Agreement.

# Priority 1 Renewal Application Exhibit I: Budget

- **Multiple tabs**
  - Budget Instructions; Budget; Budget Narrative



- **Budget**
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**VA's STAFF SERGEANT FOX SUICIDE PREVENTION GRANT PROGRAM (SSG Fox SPGP)**

**SSG Fox SPGP Proposed Annual Budget**

**\*\*NOTE:** Enter information into yellow cells only. All other cells are protected and should not be modified. Please submit original template provided by the SSG Fox SPGP. DO NOT copy and paste this spreadsheet into a new Excel workbook.

Name of Organization							
Total Grant Funds Requested	<b>Adaptive Performance Center</b>						
Fiscal Year:	Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association, Inc. Alliance, Inc. American Samoa Government America's Warrior Partnership Arizona Department of Veterans' Services Asheville Buncombe Community Christian Ministry, Inc. Aspire Health Partners						
Federal Application Identification Number (FAIN):							
Proposed # of Eligible Individuals Served:							
Average Amount per Eligible Individual Served:	\$0.00						

Program Expenses	% of Total Grant	Grant Funds Total Amount	Grant Funds Quarter 1	Grant Funds Quarter 2	Grant Funds Quarter 3	Grant Funds Quarter 4
<b>I. Provision and Coordination of Suicide Prevention Services</b>						
<b>1. Personnel/Labor</b>						
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# Priority 1 Renewal Exhibit I: Budget (cont'd)

## Budget Narrative

- Provide budget detailed narrative explanations within the VA-provided Excel template in the Budget Narrative tab.
- Justifications are required for all line items, including administrative direct and indirect costs.

VA's STAFF SERGEANT FOX SUICIDE PREVENTION GRANT PROGRAM (SSG Fox SPGP)  
SSG Fox SPGP Annual budget

Name of Organization:	0				
Total Grant Funds Requested:	\$0.00				
Fiscal Year:	10/1/2023 to 9/30/2024				
Federal Application Identification Number (FAIN):	0				
Proposed # of Eligible Individuals Served:	0				
Average Amount per Eligible Individual Served:	#DIV/0!				

Program Expenses	% of Total Grant	Grant Funds Total Amount	Detailed Narrative Justification			
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# Priority 1 Renewal Exhibit I: Budget (cont'd)

## General guidance

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## IV. NOFO Priority 2



# Priority 2: New Application Considerations

- Available funding limited to funds remaining after Priority 1 allocations
- Priority 2 Applicants must be an eligible entity
  - Eligible entities generally include
    - Incorporated, non-profit private institutions or foundations with a governing board
    - A corporation wholly owned or controlled by a non-profit organization with a governing board
    - Indian tribes
    - Community-based organizations that can effectively network with local civic organizations, regional health systems, and other settings where eligible individuals and their families are likely to have contact
    - State or local governments
- Priority 2 applicants may apply (maximum of \$750,000 per eligible entity)
- Applicants must have active SAM.gov accounts
- VA reserves the right in any year to make adjustments (e.g., to funding levels) as needed within the intent of the NOFO based on a variety of factors, including the availability of funding.
- VA anticipates announcing grant awards in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2023

## Priority 2: New Application Considerations (cont'd)

VA may prioritize the distribution of suicide prevention services grants to:

- Rural communities
- Tribal lands
- Territories of the United States
- Medically underserved areas
- Areas with a high number or percentage of minority Veterans or women Veterans
- Areas with a high number or percentage of calls to the Veterans Crisis Line

# Priority 2: New Application Sections

- **Overview**

- Grant amount requested
- Community Partners (Subcontractors)
- Number of projected eligible individuals to be served
- Geographic area served
- Compliance with Threshold Requirements

- **Application**

- Section A: Background, Qualifications & Past Performance of Applicant- Maximum 30 points
- Section B: Program Concept & Suicide Prevention Services Plan- Maximum 30 points
- Section C: Quality Assurance & Evaluation Plan- Maximum 15 points
- Section D: Financial Capability and Plan- Maximum 15 points
- Section E: Area Linkages and Relations- Maximum 10 points
- Exhibits:
  - Exhibit I – Applicant Organization Chart
  - Exhibit II – Key Personnel Resumes and Hiring Criteria
  - Exhibit III- Applicant Budget Template
  - Exhibit IV – Eligible Entity Verification
  - Exhibit V – Letters of Coordination

# Priority 2: New Application Overview

## Sections within Overview:

- Executive Summary
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## Priority 2 New Application: Section A, Maximum 30 Points

### **Background, Qualifications, Experience, and Past Performance of Applicant and Any Identified Community Partners**

- General overview of the applicant's mission and organizational history
- Applicant's organizational experience in administering programs similar in size and scope
- Staff qualifications
- Organizational qualifications and past performance, including experience with Veterans services

# Priority 2 New Application: Section B, Maximum 30 Points

## **Program Concept and Suicide Prevention Services Plan**

- Need for program
- Outreach and screening plan
- Program concept
- Program implementation timeline
- Coordination with VA
- Ability to meet VA's requirements, goals, and objectives for SSG Fox SPGP
- Capacity to undertake program

# Priority 2 New Application: Section B (cont'd), Maximum 30 Points

## **Non-Traditional, Innovative and Other Suicide Prevention Services**

- Provide a clear description of the services
- Summarize and cite the literature supporting the evidence for effectiveness
- State the goal of the intended services with an indication of how those goals can be measured
- Describe the plan to measure the proposed outcomes and evaluate the effectiveness of the services provided
- Include in the proposed evaluation methodology whether the grantee is already providing the services. If the grantee is already providing services, any existing data should be included in the application to demonstrate the effectiveness. Existing data can include outcomes, participant exit interviews, participant self-report, and participant satisfaction surveys.



## Priority 2 New Application: Section C, Maximum 15 Points

### Quality Assurance & Evaluation Plan

- Demonstrate clear, realistic, and measurable goals of SSG Fox SPGP's aim of reducing and preventing suicide among Veterans
- Demonstrate a clear plan to regularly monitor the quality of the suicide prevention services provided to participants
- Describe the process by which the applicant will remediate non-compliant aspects of the program, if and when they are identified
- Demonstrate that program management team has the capability and system established to provide timely and accurate reports to VA at the set frequency

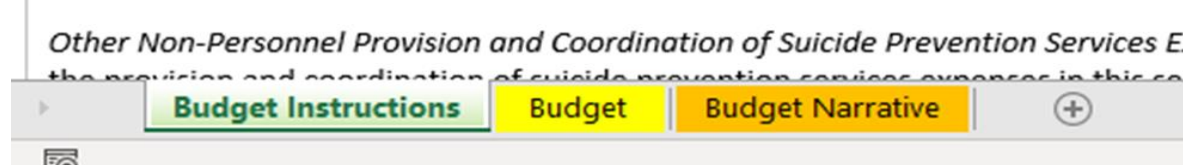
# Priority 2 New Application: Section D, Maximum 15 Points

## **Financial Capability Plan**

- Describe financial controls in place to ensure that program funds are used appropriately
- Specify all sources of funds to be used to operate the proposed program
- Verify program is cost-effective and can be effectively implemented

# Priority 2 New Application: Budget Workbook

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  - Budget Instructions: Budget: Budget Narrative



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VA's STAFF SERGEANT FOX SUICIDE PREVENTION GRANT PROGRAM (SSG Fox SPGP)

Application Proposed Budget - SSG Fox SPGP

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# Priority 2 New Application: Budget Workbook(cont'd)

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Budget Narrative

## Priority 2: New Application Budget (cont'd)

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# Priority 2 New Application: Section E, Maximum 10 Points

## Area Linkages and Relations

- Provide evidence of established linkages with the federal government, state, local, or tribal governmental agencies, or private entities to provide additional services to participants
- Demonstrate successful past working relationships with public and/or private institutions providing services to Veterans and/or individuals at risk of suicide
- Establish that applicant has knowledge of and presence in the area or community in which the proposed program will be operated
- Describe how linkages to the local area or community are expected to enhance the effectiveness of the proposed program

# Priority 2 New Application: Section F

## **Applicant Certifications and Assurances**

- Compliance
- Accuracy of application information
- Non-delinquency
- Debarment
- Reports and record retention
- Fiscal control
- Civil rights
- Lobbying



# Priority 2 New Application: Section G and Exhibits

## Reference for Citation

- All literature that has been cited needs to be listed as a reference here and correspond via a numbering system for identifying the location within the document of the in-text citation.

## Exhibits

- I. Applicant Organizational Chart
- II. Key Personnel Resumes and Hiring Criteria for Proposed Staff
- III. Program Budget (complete attached Microsoft Excel Applicant Budget Template)
- IV. Documentation that demonstrates your organization is one of the required eligible entities. (i.e., Bylaws, Articles of Incorporation, 501c3, etc.)
- V. Optional: Letters of coordination from area suicide prevention initiatives where services are proposed, relevant Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) demonstrating area linkages and/or Partnership Agreements.

# V. Application submission

# Accessing Application

- Apply using the online application tool available at: [UDPaaS - VHA](#)
  - Priority 1 Renewals Applicants should use existing UDPaaS login
  - Priority 2 New applicants – one of two options
    - Agencies with other VHA grants- use existing UDPaaS login
    - New to VHA grants- Register for New Account

## VHA GRANTS

Login

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Log In

Forgot Password?

New to the System?

Register

Welcome to VHA Grant Programs Portal

Welcome to the Department of Veterans Affairs grants management portal for VHA's Homeless and Office of Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Grant Programs. This portal supports a variety of grant functions associated with the Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF), Grant and Per Diem (GPD), and SSG Fox Suicide Prevention Grant Programs (SSG Fox SPGP) Programs.

For technical questions or issues, please contact [SSVF@va.gov](mailto:SSVF@va.gov), [GPDgrants@va.gov](mailto:GPDgrants@va.gov) or [VASSGFoxGrants@va.gov](mailto:VASSGFoxGrants@va.gov) for further assistance.

# UDPaaS Registration: New Users

## VHA GRANTS

### Registration Options

To register your Organization, please select:

1. **Charitable Organization** registration if you are a nonprofit registered with the IRS.
2. **Eligible Entities that are Not Charitable Organizations** registration if you are:
  - City/township government
  - County government
  - State government
  - Tribal organization
  - Public/Indian housing authority
  - Consumer Cooperative
  - Any other eligible entity

**Charitable Organizations**

**Eligible Entities that are Not Charitable Organizations**

# Accessing Application (cont'd)

## Welcome to the VHA Grant Programs Portal

Please click on the Organization Profile shortcut below to complete your organization information before starting an application.

### Organization and Contact Profile



Organization Profile



User Profile



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### Applications and Grants

Click any of the program shortcuts to open their corresponding pages.



Grant and Per Diem  
Program

(GPD Grants)



Supportive Services for  
Veteran Families

(SSVF Grants)



Staff Sergeant Parker  
Gordon Fox Suicide  
Prevention Grants

(SPGP Grants)



Legal Services for  
Homeless or At-Risk  
Veterans Grants

(LSV Grants)

# Accessing Application Link (s)

## Notice of Funding Opportunity

These are the current opportunities that are available for applicants to apply.



 #	Grant Type	 Grant Round Year	 Cycle	 Status	 Cycle Start Date	 Cycle Deadline
<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <a href="#">Open</a>	Initial SSG Fox SPGP	2024	Initial SSG Fox SPGP	Active	02/07/2023 14:50	03/01/2022 23:59
<input type="checkbox"/> 2 <a href="#">Open</a>	Renewal SSG Fox SPGP	2024	Renewal SSG Fox SPGP	Active	02/07/2023 13:04	03/01/2023 00:00

# Priority 1: Renewal Application Link

## Notice of Funding Opportunity

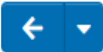
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<input type="checkbox"/>	2	<a href="#">Open</a>	Renewal SSG Fox SPGP		Renewal SSG Fox SPGP	Active	02/07/2023 13:04	03/01/2023 00:00



# Priority 1: Renewal Application Link



## Renewal SSG Fox SPGP

### Overview

#### Name

Renewal SSG Fox SPGP

#### Description

This is an opportunity to apply for Renewal of Staff Sergeant Parker Gordon Fox Suicide Prevention Grant Program (SSG Fox SPGP) grants. This application is for current SSG Fox SPGP Grantees only. Only one application will be accepted per Organization. Only 1 draft per Organization can be created.

#### Open Date

Please note that the open date for applications is listed in **Eastern Time (ET)**.

02/07/2023 13:04

#### Due Date

Please note that the deadline date and time for applications is in **Eastern Time (ET)**.

03/01/2023 00:00

Apply Now

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Overview



# UDPaaS: Executive Summary

- Executive Summary

▼ Executive Summary

The Organization information below is from your organization record within UDPaaS. To update, click [here](#) to go to your Organization profile.

**Applicant's Legal Name** (as identified in your Articles of Incorporation):

Test VA Organization

**Other Names under Which Applicant Does Business:**

Test VA Organization

**Employer Identification Number (EIN)** that Corresponds to the Applicant's IRS Ruling Certifying Tax- Exempt Status under the IRS Code of 1986

*(Note: EIN will be used to determine whether applicant is delinquent or in default on any Federal debt, in accordance with 31 U.S.C. 3701, et seq. and 5 U.S.C. 552a at note):*

1234567890

**Unique Entity Identifier (UEI):**

**Business Address:**

123 Main Street  
Arlington, VA 12345-1234

**Mailing Address** (if different from above) - include both U.S. mailing address and courier (i.e., no P.O. Box) address:

**Contact Person Name:**

SPGP Test Applicant

**Contact Title:**

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Review your organization contact information. If incorrect, click on the link and it will allow you to update it directly within your organization profile.

# UDPaaS: Overview

VA-SSG-21-22-SP



INSTRUCTIONS **OVERVIEW** APPLICATION EXTERNAL ATTACHMENTS

## ▼ Community Partner (Subcontractor)

Are you a State or Local Government or an Indian Tribe?

- ☐ Yes  
☐ No

\* Are you proposing to make grant funds available to community partners? Per 38 CFR 78, only State or local governments or an Indian Tribe are able to use grant funds to enter into an agreement with a community partner under which the grantee may provide funds to the community partner for the provision of suicide prevention services to eligible individuals and their families. :

- ☐ Yes  
☐ No

## ▼ Suicide Prevention Services Grant Funds

### \* Suicide Prevention Funds Requested

Amount of suicide prevention services grant funds requested under this NOFO. (must be less or equal to current approved award).

\$800,000.00

## ▼ Eligible Individuals

### \* Projected Eligible Individuals to be served

Per 38 CFR 78, an eligible individual is defined as an individual at risk of suicide per the screening tools provided by VA and one of the following: (1) A Veteran as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101, (2) an individual described in 38 U.S.C 1720I(b) or (3) an individual described in 38 U.S.C. 1712A(a)(1)(C)(i) through (iv).

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- Community Partner (Subcontractor)
- Suicide Prevention Services Grant Funds**
- Eligible Individuals
- Compliance with Threshold Requirements

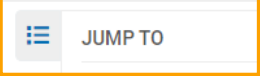
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## ▼ Section A: SSG Fox SPGP Program Outcomes



The information requested below should be typed into the boxes following each question.

In scoring this section of the application, VA will award up to 55 points.

Section A: SSG Fox SPGP Program Outcomes

Section B: Cost Effectiveness

Section C: Compliance with SSG Fox SPGP Goals and Requirements

Exhibit I: Applicant Budget Template

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### SUICIDE PREVENTION SERVICE AND PROGRAM EVALUATION

\* 1. Provide examples and data demonstrating how your program improved the financial stability, mental health status, well-being and social supports for eligible individuals enrolled in your program during the grant award period:

\* 2. Provide a description of the suicide prevention services provided to eligible individuals enrolled in your program during this grant award period. Provide data regarding any measured outcomes of the effectiveness of the services.

### OUTREACH

\*1. Provide a description of the types of outreach conducted to engage eligible individuals and their families into your program during this grant award period.

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# UDPaaS: Suicide Prevention Services

## Suicide Prevention Services

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# UDPaaS Exhibit I: Application Budget Template

## Exhibit I: Applicant Budget Template

### Applicant Budget Template (Microsoft Excel File)

The one-year program budget must be completed in the Microsoft Excel template provided. Please click the link below to download the budget template. Follow the embedded directions for the completion of the proposed program one-year budget. Upon completion of the budget worksheet, use the upload field to incorporate it into the application.

### Download Microsoft Excel Budget template

### \* Completed Budget Summary

Upload Budget File

File Name

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Date

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Total Files: 1

Section C: Compliance with  
SSG Fox SPGP Goals and  
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### Exhibit I: Applicant Budget Template

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Type: Renewal SSG Fox SPGP

Organization Legal Name: Test VA Organization 

Primary Contact: SPGP Test Applicant 

Program Name: Office of Mental Health and Suicide Preventions

Application Submission  
Deadline: 06/10/2022 23:59

Application Summary:

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## ▼ Signature

By submitting this application, the applicant certifies that the facts stated and the certifications and representations made in this application are true, to the best of the applicant's knowledge and belief after due inquiry, and that the applicant has not omitted any material facts. The undersigned is an authorized representative of the applicant.

**Applicant Name:**  
Test VA Organization

**Name and Title:**  
SPGP Test Applicant  
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\* Signature

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\* Applicant Signature

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# Priority 2: Application Materials

- Apply using the online application tool available at: [UDPaaS -](#)

## VHA GRANTS

### Login

Email

Password

Log In

Forgot Password?

New to the System?

Register

### Welcome to VHA Grant Programs Portal

Welcome to the Department of Veterans Affairs grants management portal for VHA's Homeless and Office of Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Grant Programs. This portal supports a variety of grant functions associated with the Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF), Grant and Per Diem (GPD), and SSG Fox Suicide Prevention Grant Programs (SSG Fox SPGP) Programs.

For technical questions or issues, please contact [SSVF@va.gov](mailto:SSVF@va.gov), [GPDgrants@va.gov](mailto:GPDgrants@va.gov) or [VASSGFoxGrants@va.gov](mailto:VASSGFoxGrants@va.gov) for further assistance.

# Accessing Application (cont'd)

## Welcome to the VHA Grant Programs Portal

Please click on the Organization Profile shortcut below to complete your organization information before starting an application.

### Organization and Contact Profile



Organization Profile



User Profile



Change Password

### Applications and Grants

Click any of the program shortcuts to open their corresponding pages.



Grant and Per Diem  
Program

(GPD Grants)



Supportive Services for  
Veteran Families

(SSVF Grants)



Staff Sergeant Parker  
Gordon Fox Suicide  
Prevention Grants

(SPGP Grants)



Legal Services for  
Homeless or At-Risk  
Veterans Grants

(LSV Grants)

# Priority 2: Accessing the Application link

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### SPGP Applications and Grants



To start an application, please go under Notice of Funding Opportunity list and select the appropriate grant type to apply for.  
To view and/or edit existing applications, see Draft, Submitted and Under Review applications under Applications list.  
To view existing grants, see Approved grants under Grants list.  
To view existing tasks, see under Tasks list.

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### Notice of Funding Opportunity



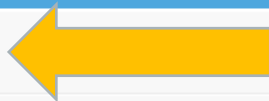
These are the current opportunities that are available for applicants to apply.



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<input type="checkbox"/>	#		Grant Type	Grant Round Year	Cycle	Status	Cycle Start Date	Cycle Deadline	Last Modified
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	<a href="#">Open</a>	Initial SSG Fox SPGP		Initial SSG Fox SPGP	Active	02/07/2023 14:50	03/01/2022 23:59	02/07/2023 14:50
<input type="checkbox"/>	2	<a href="#">Open</a>	Renewal SSG Fox SPGP	2024	Renewal SSG Fox SPGP	Active	02/07/2023 13:04	03/01/2023 00:00	02/07/2023 14:47



# Priority 2: Application Link

You are viewing the system as SPGP Test

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Initial SSG Fox SPGP

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Overview

Name

Initial SSG Fox SPGP

Description

This is an opportunity to apply for Initial Staff Sergeant Parker Gordon Fox Suicide Prevention Grant Program (SSG Fox SPGP) grants. Only 1 application can be saved and submitted per organization.

Open Date

Please note that the open date for applications is listed in Eastern Time (ET).

02/07/2023 14:50

Due Date

Please note that the deadline date and time for applications is in Eastern Time (ET).

03/01/2023 23:59

Apply Now

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Executive Summary

The Organization information below is from your organization record within UDPaaS. To update, click [here](#) to go to your Organization profile.

**Applicant's Legal Name** (as identified in your Articles of Incorporation):  
SPGP Test Organization

**Other Names under Which Applicant Does Business:**  
SPGP Test Organization

**Employer Identification Number (EIN)** that Corresponds to the Applicant's IRS Ruling Certifying Tax- Exempt Status under the IRS Code of 1986  
(Note: EIN will be used to determine whether applicant is delinquent or in default on any Federal debt, in accordance with 31 U.S.C. 3701, et seq. and 5 U.S.C. 552a at note):  
999999999

**Unique Entity Identifier (UEI):**

**Business Address:**  
123 Water Street  
Naperville, 60540-5450

**Mailing Address** (if different from above) - include both U.S. mailing address and courier (i.e., no P.O. Box) address:

**Contact Person Name:**  
SPGP Test Applicant

**Contact Title:**  
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**Mailing Address for Contact Person** (if different from above):  
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Review your organization contact information. If incorrect click on the link and it will allow you to update it directly within your organization profile.

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Community Partner (Subcontractor)

Are you a State or Local Government or an Indian Tribe?

☐ Yes

☐ No

\* Suicide Prevention Funds Requested

Amount of suicide prevention services grant funds requested under this NOFO. (must be less or equal to current approved award).

\$100,000.00

Do you have a formally approved indirect cost rate?

☐ Yes

☒ No

\* Projected Eligible Individuals to be served

Per 38 CFR 78, an eligible individual is defined as an individual at risk of suicide per the screening tools provided by VA and one of the following: (1) A Veteran as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101, (2) an individual described in 38 U.S.C 1720I(b) or (3) an individual described in 38 U.S.C. 1712A(a)(1)(C)(i) through (iv).

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\* Average Cost Per Eligible Individual

Average total suicide prevention services grant amount request per eligible individual. Please note this is prepopulated based on the amount of suicide prevention grant funds requested and projected number of eligible individuals to be served.

\$1,000.00

\* Geographical Area Served

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Background, Qualifications, Experience, & Past Performance of Applicant and Any Identified Community Partners (30 maximum points)

In scoring the application, VA will award up to 30 points based on the applicant's responses to questions in this section

Background and Organizational History

- a) Provide a general overview of the applicant's mission and organizational history, including:
- (i) Number of years in operation;

(ii) Total number of employees;

(iii) A description of services provided (past and present);

(iv) Geographic areas in which those services are provided;

(v) Types of programs operated (past and present), and

(vi) Organizational competencies and/or areas of expertise.

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- \* b) Describe the applicant's (and any identified community partners', if applicable):
- (i) Organizational experience in administering programs similar, in size and scope, to the proposed program and history of complying with agreements and not defaulting on financial obligations.

(ii) Include organizational structures with clear lines of reporting and defined responsibilities (this may be submitted through Section G, Exhibit I)

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Type: Initial SSG Fox SPGP

Organization Legal Name: SPGP Test Organization 

Primary Contact: SPGP Test Applicant 

Program Name: Office of Mental Health and Suicide Preventions

Application Submission  
Deadline: 06/10/2022 23:59

Application Summary:

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**Name and Title:**  
SPGP Test Applicant  
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**\* Signature**

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**\* Applicant Signature**



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# Application Submission Tips

- Ensure active Unique Identity Number (UEI)
- Answer application questions and use data
- Save frequently- there is a system 15-minute session inactivity time out
- Answer questions fully noting 1500-word limit per text box
  - Responses over 1500 words will be flagged by UDPaaS system and submission will be prohibited
- Describe program's impact on suicide prevention
- **Please allow ample time for application submissions and any technology challenges.**
- Prepare any required attachments prior to submission:
  - Budget template
  - Organizational chart
  - Key personnel resumes and hiring criteria for proposed staff
  - Eligible entity type verification documentation
  - Letters of coordination, MOU's (optional)
- VA cannot make exceptions for late submissions.
- The online form automatically closes at 11:59 p.m. EDT on **May 19, 2023.**

# VI. Application Review

# Application Threshold Requirements

## Threshold Requirements:

- Application is submitted on time and is complete. The UDPaaS portal will close automatically at 11:59 PM EDT on **May 19, 2023**, and submissions will not be allowable past the deadline. There are no exceptions to the deadline.
- Any additional information or documentation requested by VA is provided within the time frame established by VA.
- Application is completed in its entirety.
- All currently approved suicide prevention services, geographic area and budgets should remain consistent within the renewal application.
- Applicant must agree to comply with the requirements of 38 CFR part 78.
- Applicant must not have an outstanding obligation to the Federal Government that is in arrears and does not have an overdue or unsatisfactory response to an audit.
- Applicant must not be in default by failing to meet the requirements for any previous Federal assistance.



# Application Review

- Priority 1 Applications must meet the following requirements to be considered for suicide prevention services grant funding:
  - Receive at least 60 cumulative points and receive at least one point under each of the categories.
  - Be in good standing and have demonstrated sufficient progress in the first year of award.
- Priority 2 Applications will be reviewed if funding remaining after Priority 1 allocations:
  - Receive at least 60 cumulative points and receive at least one point under each of the categories.
  - Demonstrate the ability to provide or coordinate suicide prevention services.
  - VA funding is highly competitive. A qualifying score does not guarantee funding.

# Application Review

- ***Priority 2 applications will only be considered if there are available funds remaining after Priority 1 allocations.***
- Additional Application Review Considerations for Priority 2 Applications:
  - Materials submitted after the deadline will not be considered
  - VA may prioritize the distribution of Priority 2 suicide prevention services grants to:
    - Rural communities
    - Tribal lands
    - Territories of the United States
    - Medically underserved areas
    - Areas with a high number or percentage of minority Veterans or women Veterans
    - Areas with a high number or percentage of calls to the Veterans Crisis Line

For more information about the SSG Fox SPGP,  
visit [www.mentalhealth.va.gov/SSGFox-Grants](http://www.mentalhealth.va.gov/SSGFox-Grants)  
or contact [VASSGFoxGrants@va.gov](mailto:VASSGFoxGrants@va.gov).